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I am pleased to confirm that Oxfam Great Britain supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this commitment, we express our intent to support the Global Compact advancing these principles, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the public.

We also pledge to continue engaging with the UN Global Compact through influencing government and intergovernmental organizations to regulate markets and strengthen frameworks that regulate the private sector. This includes working with companies to improve government regulations that protect human rights, improve labour conditions and safeguard the environment. We will continue thought leadership that shapes global debates about the role of the private sector in development through research, policy papers and convening dialogue on issues ranging from business and human rights, business and the Sustainable Development Goals, privatisation of public services, to the future of corporate structures.

Oxfam will maintain our engagement with business as a 'critical friend': challenging the private sector publicly to change their policies and practices, and highlighting when the private sector has negative impacts on people living in poverty. We will engage companies on their policies and practices through dialogue; this can include working on joint research, multi stakeholder initiatives and multilateral initiatives, to improve policy and practice in a sector.

Our programme partnerships will enable active collaboration with private sector partners to change company practices to improve impact on people in poverty, especially women.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that describes our organization's efforts to support the implementation of the ten principles and to engage with the Global Compact. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within two years of joining the Global Compact and every two years thereafter according to the Global Compact COE policy.

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